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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION AND ELECTION

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Official Office Action mailed May 11, 2006, Applicants hereby elects Species II. Claims 1-30 and new claims 45-50, which are all claims related to Species II. The election is made without traverse. Claims 31-44 are withdrawn on the basis of this election.

Also provided herewith is a preliminary amendment amending claims 1-8, 11 and 23 and adding new claims 45-50. Applicants believe new claims 45-50 are generic to claims 1-30 and request these claims to be added to the election.

Applicants hereby request reconsideration and further examination.

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